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DRAMATIC REPLY BY BRITAIN TO THE CALL TO ARM Back To Near Wartime Economy

London, Aug. 2.

The United States Ambassador, Mr Lewis Douglas, made a late and unexpected call tonight at No. 10 Downing Street, the official residence of the Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee.

His visit was connected with an expected early announcement of British plans to spend more millions on rearmament.

The announcement, which may be regarded as of major importance, should come within the next 48 hours.

The additional £100,000,000 approved for adding to the existing £780,000,000 defence budget may now be regarded as only a first instalment of a spending plan which will take Britain back to a near wartime economy.

The new spending plan will be Britain's answer to the American call to Atlantic nations to report urgently on their ability to accelerate defence measures.

It was believed that the visit of the American Ambassador to Downing Street tonight was concerned with the transmission of Britain's new defence plan to Washington.

The British plan is based, according to authoritative sources, on the assumption that a full-scale war is not imminent. So the plan allows for the maximum possible expenditure on rearmament consistent with economic stability for just short of the full switch to a wartime economy.

LION'S SHARE

It may be expected that the plan will take into account the prospect of additional American aid as foreshadowed in President Truman's request to Congress for 10 billion dollars to "arm the Western world."

Britain's share of any additional aid approved by Congress is likely to be the lion's share.

It will be based, according to sources here, on Britain's new ability to pass on a proportion of it in the form of assistance in rearming smaller members of the Western European group.

The new defence spending will mean that the British people face renewed sacrifices. Factories producing for the home market must be switched to war production.

Some adverse effect on the British export trade may also be expected, according to planning experts here. The new scheme allows for this by anticipation that losses in foreign trade earnings will be made up with additional aid from the United States.

The new plan is devised to allow Britain to continue her economic recovery.

PARLIAMENT TO SIT?

The additional money will come from cuts imposed on the home market, from the capital investment programme and from the export market.

But the Treasury believes that it is essential to continue cutting down the foreign trade gap, to maintain and if possible enlarge a gold and dollar reserve, and to ensure the maintenance of a "war chest" in case the international situation worsens.

New expenditure will need parliamentary approval.

The House of Commons may cut short its summer recess, normally extending into October.

Swimming For Health



H.M. the Queen inspecting the remedial swimming pool at the Orthopaedic Hospital, used for rehabilitation. Miss Shirley Butters, a physiotherapist, supports two-year-old Sandra Mott, who contracted infantile paralysis after whooping cough. —(London Express Service).

THREAT OF NEW CABINET CRISIS HANGING OVER BELGIUM

Brussels, Aug. 2.

The threat of a new Cabinet crisis hung over Belgium tonight as some of King Leopold's staunchest supporters declared that he has been "betrayed" in Party talks leading to his decision to leave the throne.

The Catholic Prime Minister, M. Jean Duvieu-sart, who played a leading part in bringing the King back from exile 11 days ago, has already had to be dissuaded from resigning, sources close to the Government said today.

King Leopold himself—the most heavily guarded monarch in the world—was known to be bitter about the move, which preceded the announcement that he would hand over his royal powers to his 10-year-old son, Crown Prince Baudouin.

While flags flew at half-mast in sign of mourning in protest against the move, there were heated exchanges here when M. Duvieu-sart came face to face with Catholic Members of Parliament.

Catholic Members of Parliament, stationed to hear a report from the Premier, severely criticised the Cabinet and the Catholic Party leaders for yielding to the Socialists and Liberal members of the King.

Opponents and Senators decried an official account of what had occurred during the all-night series of talks which preceded King Leopold's historic decision.

ANGRY MEETING

The Premier, grim-faced, was led out of an angry meeting. Later he drove to heavily-guarded Laeken Palace, where Leopold and the new "Prince of Peace" Baudouin have stayed since their return from exile.

A possible split in the Catholic Party, which has long been the backbone of the Government, was also feared.

More than 100,000 anti-Leopoldists from all over the country today flocked to the village of Grace Beaulieu, near Liege, for the funeral of the three demonstrators shot dead in a clash with gendarmes on Sunday.

The funeral, in the Place des Martyrs (the village square), developed into what was in effect a mass demonstration against the King, with speeches by Socialist leaders.

Crowds swarmed to the top of neighbouring slag heaps to gain vantage points. Others climbed over a fence in an attempt to reach the graveside.

Gravesites were knocked over by the crowd, while parents and wives of the three shot workers wept silently by the coffins.

ANTWERP BOMBS

Police in pro-Leopold Antwerp, Flanders, where five bombs exploded during the night, stood by today to guard against any further incidents.

One bomb was thrown at the city's Socialist Party headquarters. Another crashed through the window of the office of M. Francis Van Cauwenberg, the Catholic President of (Contd. on Page 5 Col. 6)

Seretse Given Marching Orders

Johannesburg, Aug. 2.

Secretaire Khama, the banned Bamangwato chief, his English wife, Ruth, and their baby daughter were today given 14 days to leave Bechuanaland.

The order came after "it proved impossible to reach an agreement" with them in regard to arrangements for their departure, the United Kingdom Information Office announced here tonight.

Secretaire, whom the British Government expelled from Bechuanaland for five years, was permitted to return for the birth of his daughter last May and to settle a legal dispute with his uncle, the former Herero chief.

Secretaire and his family are booked to leave Lobatse by air on August 16.—Reuter.

India's Inexplicable Behaviour

Washington, Aug. 2.

The Washington Post today described as "inexplicable" the support given by India in the Security Council yesterday to Russia's attempt to unseat Nationalist China.

Commenting on the "arbitrary ruling" given by Mr Jacob Malik, the Soviet delegate and this month's Chairman of the Council, the Post added, "The Chinese representation issue was not confronted at all. There was no question of credentials. The vote was on whether Mr Malik was a President or a boomer."

"Sir Bengali Rau (the Indian delegate) is an eminent constitutional lawyer, a great draftsman or constitution, and a purist in their interpretation."

"Yet he backed Mr Malik in an outrageous act of arbitrariness which in the highest degree was offensive to the ordered functioning of the Security Council."

"His dignity, and the dignity of India, surely required that at least he should have abstained from voting."

"On the merits of the China question, when disentangled from any deal over Korea, we have every sympathy with India's position, but what happened yesterday, in our opinion, prejudiced that position very severely."—Reuter.

U.S. TROOPS WITHDRAW TO LINE OF NAKTONG RIVER Tightening Defences As Arc Round Pusan Narrows DECISION CLASH LOOMS

Tokyo, Aug. 3.

American forces withdrew today to new defence positions all along the western front in preparation for the decisive battle of the Korean war.

American troops dropped back as much as 15 miles to a line along the Naktong river which gives them the best natural defence barrier left in Korea. The planned withdrawal was made in an orderly manner.

Murder Of Syrian Air Force Chief

Beirut, Aug. 2.

Reports reaching here from Syria today concerning the assassination on Monday night of Colonel Mohammed Nasser, Syria's Air Force Chief, alleged that he was the victim of a dispute between himself and the Army Commander.

The military censor has forbidden the publication of any "details" concerning the colonel's death in the Syrian press, but a deputy Abdullah Yunis, made reference to it in yesterday's meeting of the Syrian Assembly.

He said: "This crime proves that chaos has attained its maximum limits. Those who killed Nasser can kill the Assembly President, the Prime Minister or, for that matter, any deputy."

Mr. Yunis added: "It is time to speak frankly and I predict that the assassins will not be punished but elevated in rank."—Reuter.

Wiltshires Sail For Far East

Southampton, Aug. 2.

Three hundred soldiers of the first battalion of the Wiltshire Regiment sailed today aboard the ship Empire Trooper for service in the Far East.

The War Office spokesman declined to say whether the troops were destined for Korea.

No Pacific Pact Proposals

Washington, Aug. 2.

The Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, said today he had not discussed with the Australian Prime Minister, Mr Robert G. Menzies, any proposals for a Pacific Pact along the lines of the North Atlantic Treaty.—Reuter.

America Reviewing Formosa Policy

Washington, Aug. 2.

The Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, indicated today that the United States is reviewing its policy on Formosa, and that announcements of additional American assistance may be forthcoming soon.

Mr Acheson, at his weekly Press conference, declined to answer flatly Yes or No, when asked whether the United States planned to send arms to aid Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalists in repelling any Communist thrust from the mainland.

Mr Acheson also refused to confirm or deny reports that the Chinese Nationalists had been given use of American military procurement facilities in the United States, relieving them of the necessity to bid for war equipment in the open market.

He said all these matters are being given consideration, and that there would be news on the subject in due course.

Mr Acheson said that, so far, he thought the United States actions regarding Formosa were entirely consistent with President Truman's June 27 statement, in which he announced that he had ordered the United States Seventh Fleet to patrol the waters between Formosa and the mainland, in order to prevent any act of aggression by either side.

—United Press.

KUMCHON BLAZE

Parts of Kumchon by the sea this morning and bridges leading to the road centre were blown sky high following a tricky night withdrawal by the First Cavalry toward Waegwan.

The troops were under orders to hold the approaches to Kumchon until the 25th Division to the north withdrew from their positions and the troops accomplished the mission "in a highly successful manner."

A front dispatch said the Marines would not be committed to battle placement but would go to action as a unit supported by their own Air Force.—United Press.

France Revalues Gold Stock

Paris, Aug. 2.

The French Government today decided to raise the value of France's gold stock by 126,000 million francs to give the country a fresh start financially.

After a year of financing and economic stabilisation, the Cabinet agreed to ask Parliament to approve this revaluation to pay off internal and external debt.

It will take the form of a convention between the State and the Bank of France valuing the Bank's gold stock in dollars at present rate of 339.6 francs per dollar instead of 119 francs.

The change will boost the value of the gold stock to 179,000 million francs.

The stock was still being valued on the 1946 exchange rate of 119 francs in spite of two devaluations since then.

The cash resulting from the revaluation will enable the French Treasury to buy dollars from the Exchange Stabilisation Fund—which is now amply provided with them as a result of the improvement in France's balance of payments.

These dollars will be used to refund ahead of maturity two private American loans of 1947 and 1949, for which a total guarantee deposit of 91 tons of gold had been made.

The Treasury will also buy back from the Bank of France Treasury bonds the Bank had accepted in exchange for gold advances.

Whatever is left of the 126,000 million francs will be deposited with the National Sinking Fund and serve to repay advances from foreign central banks in connection with the European Payments Union.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

The Waterfront Racket

THE obstinate frequency with which complaints are made of menace and intimidation by Hongkong's waterfront racketeers is both perplexing and disturbing. If only because, more than probably, five unpleasant experiences are inflicted on travellers for every one that comes to public knowledge. Perplexity, of course, does not arise as the result of any particular feature of gangster activity; it grows out of the pertinent question, What are the police doing? The racket is not recent in origin, though it may possibly have grown more formidable of late. When it is discovered that the gangs are working in collusion with taxi-drivers, or rather the drivers are themselves terrorised and prefer to allow the thugs to do what they will in order to avoid trouble of the heating-up variety. It is becoming serious. It is impossible to believe that police officers posted to duty on the Praya hold the gangsters in the same unhealthy respect, but that being discounted, it is equally difficult to understand why no campaign has been organised to break them up. It cannot be because the police department has not awakened to the extent of these quite unlawful operations. The thugs pursue their activities day after day, working to the same routine whenever a steamer arrives from Macao, and marking out the lone travellers as their prey. Things are getting to a sorry stage when seven hulking coolies, their character unmistakable, can molest an unaccompanied woman carrying her entire belongings in two small packages, wrest them from her, insist on becoming "baggage coolies" and on all seven accompanying her a mile into the heart of town, force their way into the premises of a British company,

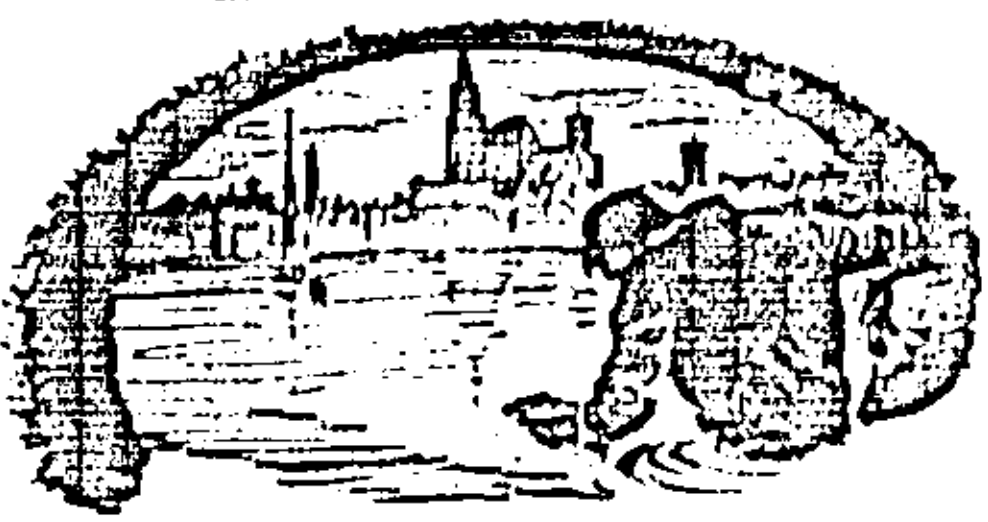
and make threatening demands of her husband for payment of an amount preposterous, for "services rendered." How that sort of thing can occur without, as far as can be observed, police intervention is past understanding. Companies have been numerous enough, letters have appeared in the correspondence columns of the European Press, and if the success of browbeating performances has not been considerable, it is reasonable to suppose the gangsters would have been developing another type of racket. A police force which over the past two years has rightly gained much in public esteem for high efficiency, particularly in traffic control and in the unceasing battle against serious crime, the aggressive preventive action of the flying squads, fails down badly below its own best standards when organised gangs can apparently dominate the waterfront and carry on their illicit operations unchecked for so long. The police have a heavy job. Many valuable men are diverted from contest with crime to other essential duties like immigration and land frontier controls. Nevertheless, for the time being, a different form of diversion calls. The reputation of Hongkong as a city of law and order will be tarnished by anything suggestive of condonation of respectable gangsterdom. It is especially regrettable because the majority of the victims belong to that social grade which can least afford to be compelled to succumb to menacing demands. Their protection is the duty and responsibility of the police and a clean-up along the waterfront is long overdue. Not a solitary swoop, but an organised campaign, maintained until the racketeers have been convinced that crime does not pay.

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Even To Mary, It's Fantastic

But Fans Think It's Like A Party Next Door

By
RICHARD KLEINER

NEW YORK — "This," said Mary Margaret McBride, referring to the 75,000 people jammed into the Yankee Stadium for her 15th anniversary party, "is the most fantastic and silly thing anybody ever heard of."

In a way she was right. Here were 75,000 persons—mostly women, although there was a liberal sprinkling of men—screaming their heads off to pay tribute to a dumpy, 50-year-old woman who came from a Missouri farm. Railways ran special trains to the event; groups in suburban towns chartered buses; even the phlegmatic New York system special expresses from deep in the heart of Brooklyn, festooned with banners.

But if the celebration was "fantastic and silly," Mary Margaret's fans didn't think so.

Most of them felt like they were going to a birthday party at their next-door neighbor's. It's this neighborly quality that has made Mary Margaret McBride one of the most potent personalities on radio. Every afternoon, from Monday through Friday, she comes into housewives' lives for an hour's chat. Her soft, flat voice has a knack of making her seem like company. There are those who even claim to enjoy her commercials.

During her 15 years on the air, Mary Margaret has done some 7,500 shows, and entertained about 12,000 guests. Three hundred of these guests came to her Yankee Stadium party. She tried to introduce them all during the course of the three-hour programme.

On her regular broadcasts, she never uses a script. The guests are introduced and Mary Margaret seems to chat with them in a home-spun way. Actually, however, she is doing a workmanlike job of inclusive interviewing, basing her questions on facts which one of her 12 assistants has dug up in a preliminary interview with the guest.



Her lack of script upset the government during the war. They wanted the head of the merchant marine, Admiral Emory S. Land, to appear on her programme to boost enlistments. Mary Margaret said OK, and set a date. A few days before the programme, a thick bundle of script arrived from Washington. This, said a note, was what Admiral Land was to say. Mary Margaret hustled to the phone and put in a call direct to the Admiral. "Hey," she said, "can't you speak for yourself? I can get an actor to read a speech." When he came over the air, Admiral Land was chatting like any other guest, and he liked it so well—and so did she—that he came back several times.

She can put any guest—and they're ranged from Sally Rand to someone close to the Grand Lama of Tibet with all stops in between—at ease and casually draw out whatever he or she has to say of importance. It's a talent partly inborn and partly resulting from a successful newspaper career. She

HOSTESS to 12,000 guests in her radio career, Mary Margaret once was a guest herself in a musical comedy. For her one-night stand, she had lessons from Fred Waring.

Her programme was originally a simple job of reporting on odds and ends and telling about them. But gradually the guests were worked in—the first was author Mrs. Will Irwin—and her fan mail showed that the innovation was a good one.

Mary Margaret's fan mail runs to astounding quantity and peculiar quality. The quantity is attested to by her turning over to the government's wartime paper drive about 3,500,000 letters. The quality is peculiar because her fans like to send her presents—simple things like crates of eggs.

She answers each letter, signing it personally, just as she insists on shaking hands with each one of the audience, numbering about 60, at her shake hands with the 20,000 persons who came to her tenth anniversary party, held in Madison Square Garden, but was sensibly stopped by her staff.

Even the Daily Worker, Communist mouthpiece, has nice things to say about Mary Margaret. They laud her "complete lack of snob appeal."

Treatment For Mouth Infection

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

LIKE other parts of the body, the mouth is subject to various types of infection. Perhaps the best known of these is trench mouth, which causes soreness of the gums, tongue, and even of the lining membrane of the cheeks, along with the formation of painful ulcers or sores. There is usually a bad odour to the breath and, in severe cases, the patient may have fever.

While the exact cause of this disorder is not known, it has been found that in most cases two germs are present, one known as the spiroillum of Vincent, and the other the spiroillum of Dancy. Some authorities believe that possibly the condition is due to a virus infection.

Much Alike

Trench mouth and another disorder known as acute ulcerative gingivitis are much alike.

In the latter disorder there are also ulcers, particularly on the gums. This condition, too, is due to an infection.

Both acute ulcerative gingivitis and trench mouth are treated with so-called antibiotics, such as penicillin.

Some patients, however, have proved sensitive to penicillin and, for this reason, treatment with aureomycin has been tried recently.

Fifteen cases of ulcerative gingivitis were treated with aureomycin, given by mouth, and rapid healing of the sores on the gums took place.

Red Gums

It is also noted that, with the aureomycin, more rapid lessening of the redness of the gums occurred.

With the aureomycin treatment, sometimes such symptoms as sickness of the stomach, vomiting, and diarrhoea developed. However, it is fortunate that these symptoms can be controlled by giving whole liver extract.

Mouth infections not only may be most uncomfortable but also may be responsible for the spread of infection to other parts of the body; hence, when they occur they should be treated promptly. It is fortunate that most of them will respond rapidly to the antibiotics, such as aureomycin and penicillin.

A PICNIC FARE

Plenty plans in the offing? Nothing could be nicer than leisurely eating at the beach, down at the countryside. Plan a simple menu—something easy to prepare and carry. It's a good idea to pack the lunches individually and wrap each in a large size napkin.

For dessert, cupcakes are easy to pack. If you have a vacuum liquid container, a tangy cool fruit punch is just the answer for both a beverage and dessert.

SPICY BEAN SALAD

1 1/2 lb. tin baked beans.
2 tablespoons French dressing.
2 tablespoons finely minced onion.
3/4 cup pickle relish.

Drain beans and add French dressing. Chill several hours to blend flavour. Drain dressing and onion and pickle relish. Chill. Four servings.

For That Date After Work



A career girl, fresh and ready for that "after 5" date, applies the final flourish, lipstick in a new blue-red shade.

By HELEN FOLLETT

WHEN you have had a busy day, do you suffer from four-o'clock-itis? That is an affliction to which many a career girl makes complaint. The day has been hectic, things have gone wrong, the heavy date is on for the evening. You rush home all played out.

You need a pick-up treatment. Get out of your clothes, cream your face, get into the bath tub. Have the water fairly warm so it will take the weariness out of your bones, and muscles. Close your eyes, go limp, have a ten-minute soaking.

Scrub with a heavy brush. By removing dead skin scales—they are always present—you will function better as an organ of elimination and you'll get rid of the fatigue bugs. Finish with an alternating hot and cold shower. Hot, while you count to five; cold, while you count five. Then repeat. Have a brisk rub down with a towel that takes the hold like sand paper, then a friction with a bath loam or talcum.

Cold Water

Wring a heavy cloth out of cold water, place it over your eyes, lie down for fifteen minutes. The kinks will come out of your nervous system, your complexion will be colourful, eyes rested. Give yourself all the time you can spare for making yourself a fresh, pretty evening face.

Prints Get More Popularity

PRINTS for summer look fresher than they have in years, and are found to be having an encouraging response. Part of this is due to a real styling effort, and part undoubtedly to a more fluid silhouette which is better suited to the standard hundred-denier and silk crepe print grounds, and to the newly revived sheer ones.

Further endorsement of the print fashion comes from the collections recently shown by the Haute Couture, which uses prints in greater proportion than it has in several years. This may be expected to give an impetus to the American midsummer fashions.

Your Sewing Scrapbook

by
Mary Brooks Picken

Five-Point Scarf-Eye Glass Case

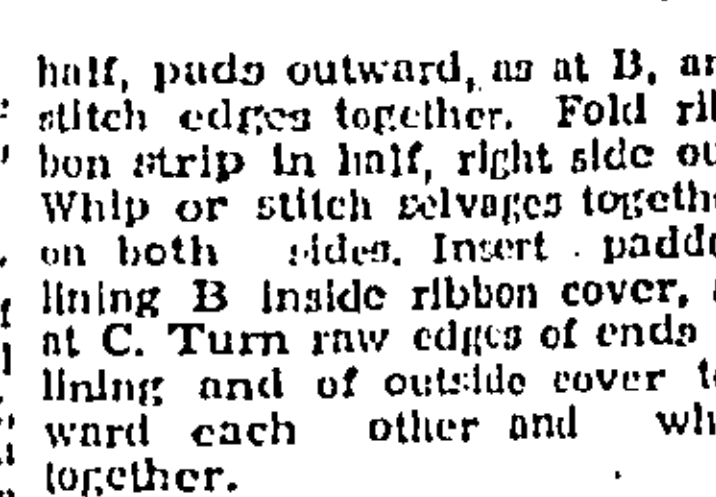
FIVE-POINT Scarf. See what an attractive collar line this gives! Costs much or little, according to fabric used. Requires an 18" square. (Can be also made from an attractive handkerchief.)

Straighten all edges. Slash diagonally in from one corner 15". Make a rolled hem on all edges, including slash. Tie it in manner suggested by illustrations or to suit your requirements.

Try a square in this fashion next time you make a dress. With the black-and-white vogue—take a square of white organdy and dress up your basic black dress.

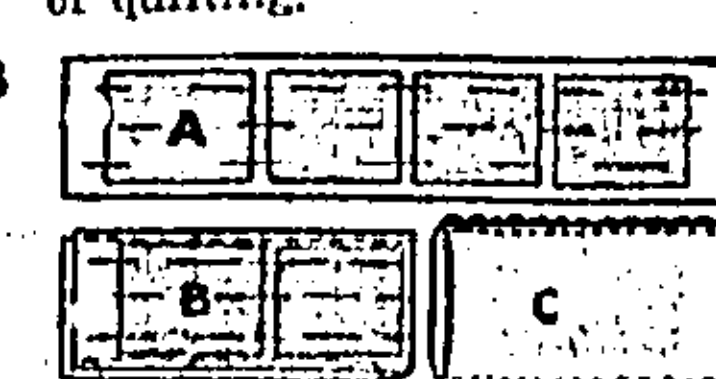
Ribbon Eye Glass Case. Make several of these in colours to match your clothes.

Use 1/3 yard of 2 1/2" to 2 3/4" wide ribbon. Use a scrap of fabric or ribbon in equal amount for lining. For padding, use 4 cotton pads, such as you use for skin freshener. Lay them on wrong side of lining and tack to place, as in A. Fold lining in



half, pads outward, as at B, and stitch edges together. Fold ribbon strip in half, right side out. Whip or stitch selvages together on both sides. Insert padded lining B inside ribbon cover, as at C. Turn raw edges of ends of lining and of outside cover toward each other and whip together.

These cases make nice gifts. Especially good in white, bright red or black for use in evening.



TOMORROW: AN EVER-READY DRESS FOR HOME

Linen is in for a lively season with its popularity for every type of summer wear. From the beach to the ballroom, throughout the day, in town or country, linen is a favourite.

Linen Goes Everywhere



Pretty spectator sports frock. A DELIGHTFUL and dainty spectator sports dress is this (picture at left) of oyster white linen embroidered in pale blue with touches of red. The yoke is described by an embroidered band in blue and white. This is a fine example of good "little" dress that fills so many functions in any wardrobe.

Black linen sheath. IT'S LINEN that weaves its way so nicely through this year's fashion picture, linen that is at home in every type of clothes from town and country daytime wear to evening glamour. Black linen is especially smart and favoured, and it appears to good advantage in this lustrous sheath of a dress (centre) made with optional shoulder straps. It buttons to the hem with covered buttons, and over it goes a slim little cape which has its own pink linen collar.

Attractive gray suit. LINEN in a deep gray makes a summer suit that is correct and perfectly at home anywhere (at right). Passionate embroidery on the flaps of the four patch pockets lends an air of richness to this otherwise simple costume. The neckline can be worn open, in casual fashion, if desired. The skirt is slim. A light bit of stiffening inside the bodice of the jacket makes it flare at the sides and at the back.

A Youth-Preserving Cream

There's no point in trying to keep your age a secret if your skin screams that you're middle-aged.

Now, in our time, science is coming to the rescue.

For instance, in Endocrine, a substance known as "Activol" helps replace, by absorption through the skin, the substance which the body secretes freely during youth, and which is so important to the youthful appearance of the skin.

The natural bodily substance, originally exists in abundance but as the years go by what is known as the aging process takes place. The daily supply dwindles to a deficiency which expresses itself in less elasticity, sagging flabby skin, lines, and a dry, dull look.

In some women this shortage occurs at 40 or over; in others as early as the twenties. The average is 35. The purpose of Endocrine is to build this de-

ficiency back to normal and to have the skin approach the texture and smoothness it had in youth. The compound is enriched with pure oils. It is recommended for face, neck and hands.

One half teaspoon of the cream applied according to directions, nightly, is all that is required. The important thing is to use it regularly. The missing of even one night retards progress and delays results.

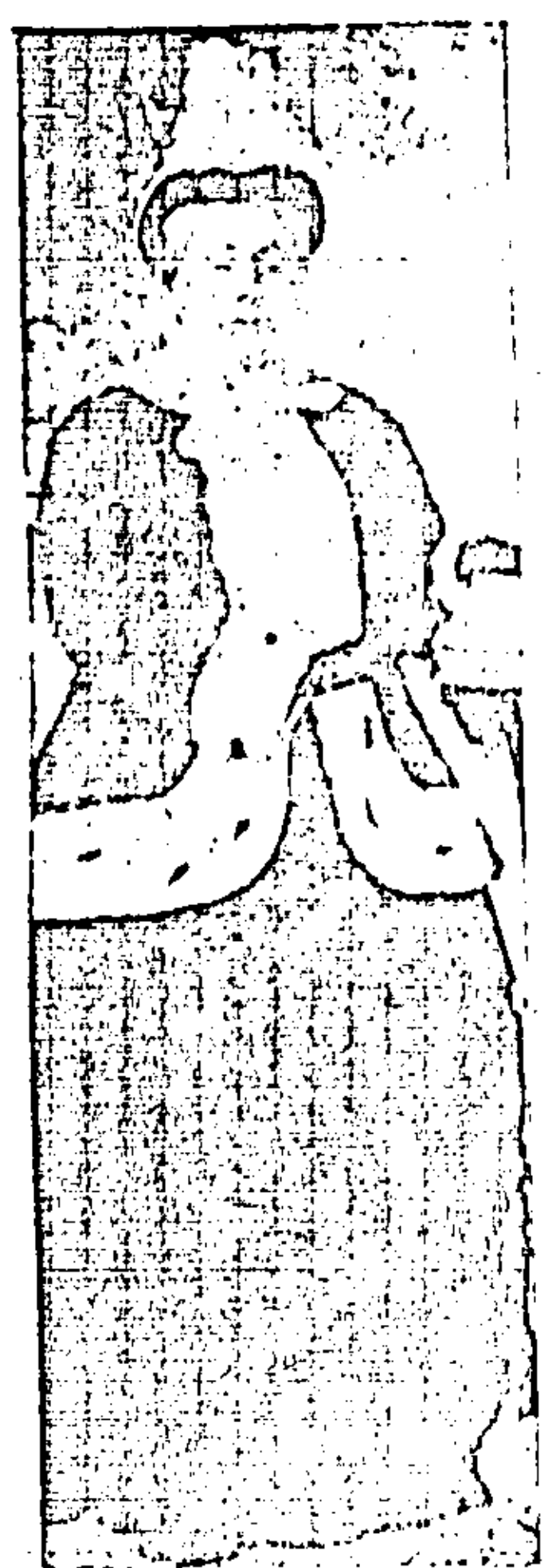
Eskimos Enrolled In Arctic 'Alert' Watch

By Frederick Cook

New York.

Up on the windswept gable end of the world's roof, no more than 50 miles from Russia in places, America is now enrolling Eskimos into the farthest north of all territorial armies. Determined that if war should come Alaska will not become the Achilles' Heel of the U.S.A., Washington is embarked on a scheme for strengthening the defences of the territory.

Film Queen



ACTRESS Irene Dunne is shown in her make-up for the role of Queen Victoria in the film version of the novel, "The Mudmark," currently in production in England. (Acme)

Loss Of Giants Recalled

Disasters which met three British liners—the Titanic, the Lusitania, and the Empress of Ireland—are recalled by the report for 1949 of the National Disasters Relief Fund.

This shows that on December 31 last the value of the Titanic Relief Fund was £199,155. There were 127 dependants, and grants made during the year totalled £15,568.

The value of the Empress of Ireland Relief Fund amounted to £63,520. There were 33 dependants and grants made totalled £4,033.

The Lusitania Relief Fund amounted to £1,122 and is available for compassionate grants in suitable cases, and gratuities having been purchased for the regular dependants of the Fund.

"The General" Relief Fund amounted to £5,706. Grants made totalled £291. This fund is earmarked for grants for the relief of members of the Mercantile Marine suffering from disaster at sea, and to the dependants of members who lost their lives as a result of such disasters. Out of 79 cases investigated during the year grants were made in 44 cases. Most of the dependants in receipt of relief from these funds live in the areas of Exeter, Liverpool, London and Southampton.

The Titanic was on its maiden voyage from Britain to America in April 1912 when it was sunk after striking an iceberg, and 1,498 lives were lost. The Lusitania was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine off the coast of Ireland in May 1915 with the loss of 1,198 lives. The Empress of Ireland was lost with 1,011 lives in the river St Lawrence in 1914.

In this scheme, a big role is allotted to the Eskimos. More than 2,000 of them, skilled Arctic hunters and guides, are being recruited, trained and uniformed.

Eskimo scout battalions of the Alaska National Guard are being set up at almost all sizable villages along the Arctic coast, starting beyond Point Barrow, at the very top of the North American continent.

Men of military age are getting special training in modern rescue methods, equipment and arms, and are being shown how to use these advantages in

conjunction with their age-old native skill at combating the bitter climate.

Colonel J. D. Alexander, in charge of organizing the Alaska Territorials, says that Eskimo units are being put on an "alert basis" immediately they are considered ready for action. Invasion watch is now in effect twenty-four hours a day throughout Alaska.

"The army," says Colonel Alexander, "is depending on the Eskimos to furnish us with permanent defence garrisons along the coastline which in places is less than 50 miles from Siberia."

"So many Eskimos want to join the National Guard that there isn't enough equipment."

LINK-PIN

As a direct result of the situation in Korea, all Alaska is now on a round-the-clock alert basis.

Washington does not conceal the fact that the territory's defences are far from what military planners would like.

Link-pin of the defensive arrangements is a northern "Maginot Line" running from the region of Fairbanks down through Anchorage to Kodiak, where there is a large naval station.

This fixed line of defence has "several thousand" troops. Few are battle-seasoned.

Still a serious handicap is the absence of landing fields capable of handling today's big bombers and launching them against Soviet air bases known to exist in Siberia.

What's In A Name?

Says Charlie Chaplin, junior, on the problem bearing a famous name: "Frankly, at times I thought of changing my name when it got to be a little like a gaudy bowl. Each time I decided to keep the name I was born with—I am not trying to live down the name Charlie Chaplin."

I am trying to live up to it. I am trying to get into "executive" offices, but so far it's got me no jobs."

Cute Trix



A DAPPER French poodle, answering to the name of Trix, responds, as who wouldn't, to the urgings of Katy Turner in Daytona Beach, Florida. Being only a young dog, Trix is still capable of learning lots of new tricks. (Acme)

Training Becomes Useful Now



A KOREAN nurse is shown administering aid to a wounded South Korean soldier in a hospital set up near the front lines. The nurse is a member of the Korean Army Nurse Corps, which was organized and trained by the U.S. Army and the Army Nurse Corps. (Acme)

£20,000,000 coal plan for Empire

A £20,000,000 scheme to win coal in central Tanganyika's Ruhuhu Basin is in preparation, after eight months' exploration. Lord Trefgarne, £5,000-a-year chairman of the Colonial Development Corporation, disclosed recently.

He said: "It may be an oil-from-coal project, but we are not banking on it yet. We feel we have a few winners already moving elsewhere."

The corporation, which lost nearly £200,000 last year, is busy on schemes totalling £24,800,000.

It is hoped this year to start ranching on a £1,300,000 cattle-

raising project in Northern Bechuanaland.

The corporation's annual report shows the corporation to be in disagreement with the Government on prices for Colonial products.

Lord Trefgarne said that discussions are still going on with the Ministry of Food on the terms at which the Ministry will buy.

"We are closer than we were, but we have not settled the price for eggs from the 'Mamba poultry farm,' he said. 'We are digging our toes in.'

EGGS, SEA-LIONS

"There is no urgency just now because we are selling in West Africa all the eggs we can produce. But egg production will far exceed what can be absorbed there. By then we hope to have agreed on fair prices."

For the next 12 months 10,000,000 eggs would be available for Britain. From August next year there should be 20,000,000.

The annual report shows that £101,500 has been advanced to sea-lion and sea-elephant hunters who go out from the Falkland Islands and South Orkneys. The carcasses are processed for oil, meat meal, and fertilizer.

There is a Shark, Tuna, and Crawfish Man, who will work off the West African coast with a 2,000-ton floating factory to handle the catches of ten launches.

SHARK HIDES

Some of his catch will produce fish meal for the Gambia's poultry. There will be shark hides for Britain and the U.S., and tinned tuna and quick-frozen crawfish tails.

Lord Trefgarne, dealing with accounts, said: "Some of our projects are likely to be unsuccessful; some will be successful. We want to be able to spread the results out. We do not intend to present accounts of individual undertakings."

PROPOSED TO AT 120

Peter Chandler Pringle, a South African who has just turned 120, and is believed to be the world's oldest white man, has received a proposal of marriage from a 54-year-old woman in Germany. But Peter says he does not think he will accept.

He has been married twice before, and said he would be willing to have another try but feels that a 60 years age difference is rather too much.

Peter was rejected as too old to fight in the Boer War and was recently refused admittance to an old age home because he was beyond the age limit. So he is now living with his young sister—aged 95.

All Over A Pair Of Lovely Shoulders

ROME.

A pair of beautiful shoulders have divided a nation.

It all started in a Rome restaurant, where a Roman Catholic woman M.P., Vittoria Tilmantio, and two other Catholic M.P.s took exception to society woman Signora Edith Mingoni Toussant displaying her tanned shoulders.

Vittoria got up and told Signora Mingoni Toussant what she thought about her. She was not very complimentary.

The signora retorted that it was "frightfully hot" (which was perfectly true). She insisted that Vittoria would have liked to copy her cool fashion. If only Vittoria's shoulders had been as beautiful as her own.

ENTER THE POLICE

The two other M.P.s went to Vittoria's support, but were counter-attacked by gentlemen in Edith's party.

Soon the whole restaurant was divided. A fight started. The police took two ladies and 12 men to the police station. There the M.P.s claimed parliamentary immunity.

Signora Mingoni Toussant, has sued the three M.P.s. Now Parliament will have to decide whether the question of parliamentary immunity should be raised.

Opposition parties, backed by the Left Press, have started a campaign accusing Catholics of intolerance and of trying to violate the democratic freedom of individuals.

Their Week Of Fun

Sergeant Majors throughout Catterick Camp, Yorkshire, are in training to become amateur showmen when Catterick Fair, the soldier's week of fun, opens in the Garrison on August 12.

Instead of admonishing nervous recruits they will be roving encouragement to waverers outside "The Haunted House," or inviting people to find out "What the Butler Saw."

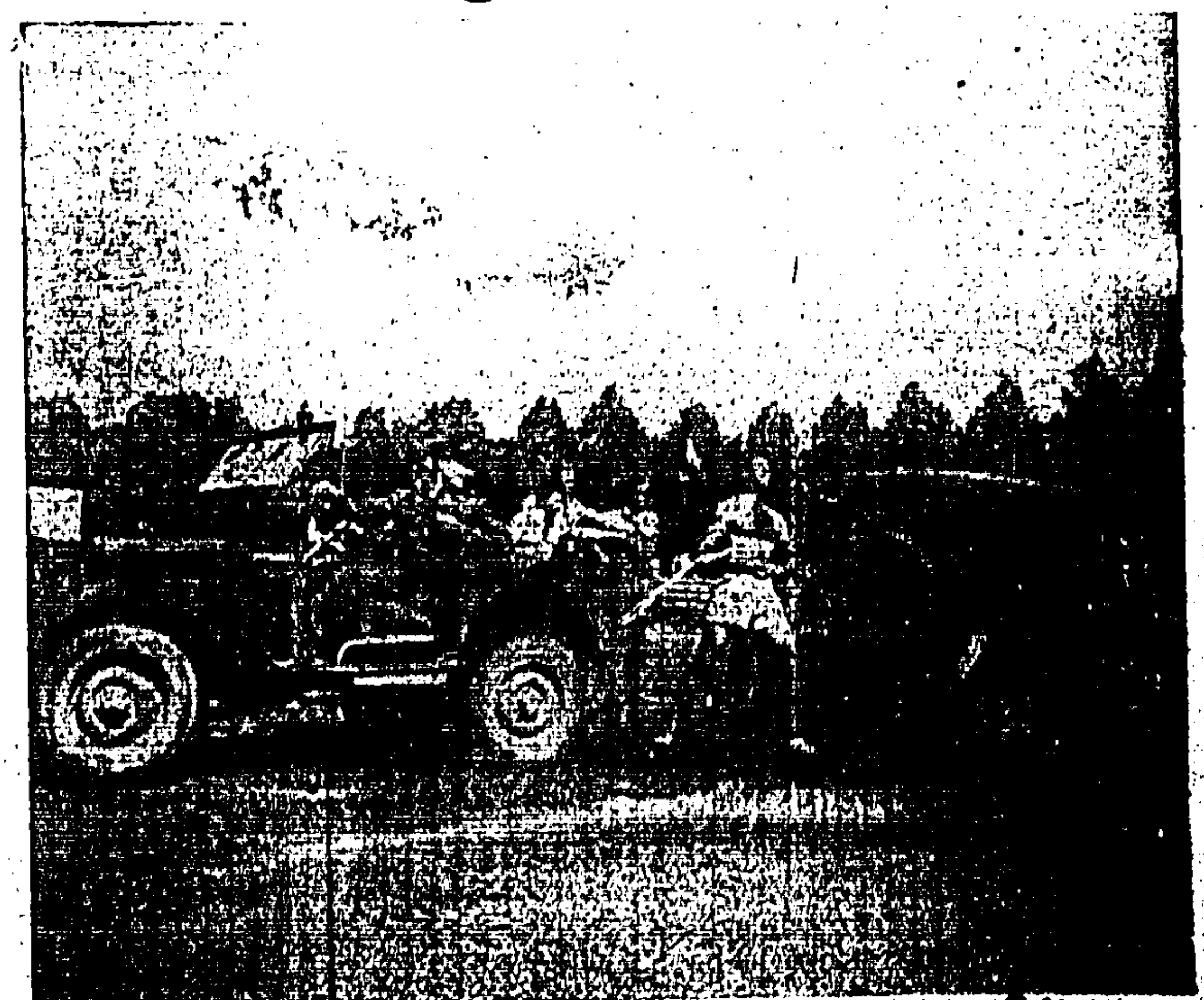
The troops are enthusiastically preparing for the fair, and already "blueprints" of the decorated lorries and carnival tableaux, which will form the major part of the carnival processions, are on Saturday, August 19, are being closely guarded within units, so that no hint leaks out to a rival regiment.

New features of the fair are the debut of the Royal Air Force Regiment into an army show with a drill display, and the first visit to Catterick of the army war dogs.

In Demand

Rosie the riveter is on her way back to American factories. The pool of unemployed craftsmen is so small that skilled women workers of World War II have been in demand again, since the fighting started in Korea.

Man Against Machine



Hermann Hartmann of Heidelberg, Germany's strong arm m.m., holds two roaring, high-powered jeeps at a standstill with the use of only his arms and a few ropes. At this exhibition in Munich, Hartmann requested only that the drivers let the clutch out slowly while he held the cars firmly in place. (Acme)

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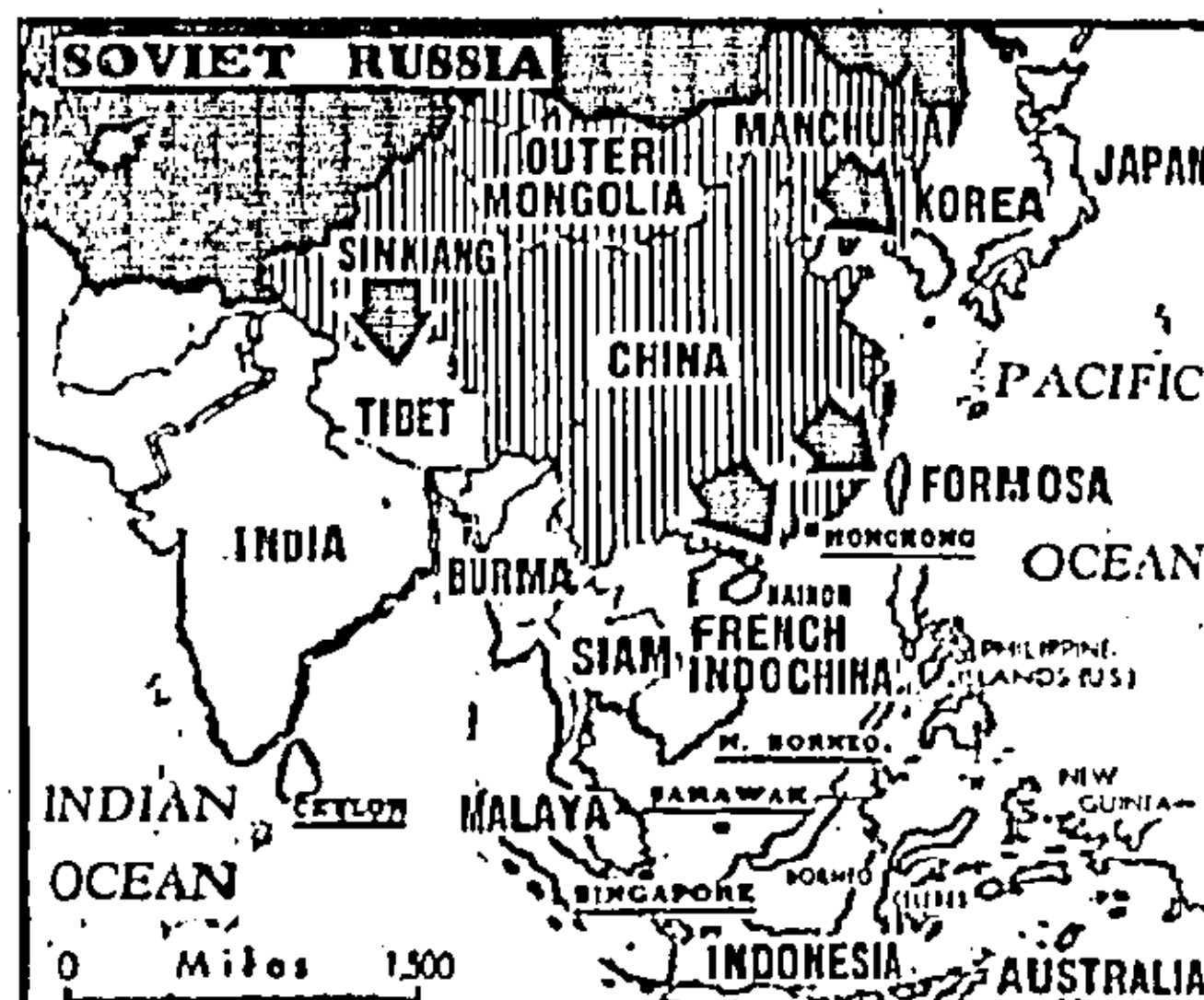
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WHY THE NEXT FOUR WEEKS MEAN SO MUCH

by Sefton Delmer



TOKYO.
At two o'clock the other morning, as I was on my way back to my hotel after collecting the midnight communiqué, I passed the tall, greystone Daichi Building where General MacArthur has his headquarters. I looked up, and sure enough the entire building was in darkness.

Except for one suite of windows—MacArthur's. The general was still at work. It was what I had expected.

I am sure, too, that the lights were also burning early that morning in the little yellow house in the Kremlin where Stalin and his advisers sit.

It won't be easy

WHY am I so sure of this? Because the war in Korea has reached its most critical and trickiest stage. The next four weeks are going to be decisive, not only for the Korean war, but for the world situation as a whole.

The top commanders will want to be on the bridge all the time, not only in Tokyo and Moscow, but in Washington, Canberra, and London.

DECISION No. 1 falls in Korea itself. Here the next four weeks will show whether this green line of Americans, despite their heavy defeats, can still save the war. In the next four weeks the Americans must re-deploy their harassed and constantly outnumbered troops to form a beach-head citadel based on the supply port of Pusan.

It won't be easy. But if the Americans can build this beach-head, fortify it, and hold it until the end of August, reinforcements in armor, and artillery now on the way will be able to turn it into an impressive fortress.

This would mean that the Communist invasion, originally conceived as a blitz, would turn into a long-drawn-out affair. Not only that, but the beach-head would become a constant threat to the Communists, as an aircraft carrier and jumping-off point for a new American rush.

Above all, it would be tangible evidence for the Asiatic world that the initial Communist victories did not mean that the war was over.

DECISION No. 2 will fall in Moscow. But its effect will first be seen in Korea and, if it is taken, it will change the whole character of the war.

THE RISE OF RED ASIA

IN FIVE YEARS the pattern of Soviet power spreads... and spreads. Black on the map above is Russia itself—the shaded area shows territory either controlled by the Communists or in active military disruption; arrows indicate targets now under "processing."

Ever since the Korean war began United Nations observers jumping around the battlefields have had instructions to keep the sharpest lookout for any signs of Manchurian troops.

On the border
ALL they have found so far are Korean tank crews, artillery men, and radio technicians wearing the blue uniforms of the Manchurian Army. But they were none of them Manchurians—just Koreans who served in Korean units with the Manchurian Army during the Chinese civil war.

Crack divisions of the Manchurian Army, however, are at present massed on the Korean border ready to intervene with their Soviet tanks and self-propelled guns if Stalin gives orders.

Here in Tokyo my Western diplomat friends are unanimous that if Stalin does decide to commit the Manchurians to battle, it will mean not only that the world has been brought one long step nearer to the development of the Korean war into World War III, but that Stalin and the Politburo are prepared to chance this. For Manchuria, though technically part of China, is under such close Russian control that she is for practical purposes part of the Soviet Union.

Manchurian ports like Dairen are under Soviet rule. So are the Manchurian railways and much of Manchuria's industrial plant. Soviet citizens are to be found at policy level throughout the Manchurian Administration.

The Manchurian Army has many Soviet officers and instructors. The Russians refuse to allow the Chinese to enter Manchuria freely. They require them to obtain a special permit like all other foreigners.

DECISION No. 3 must fall in Washington. Truman and his advisers are anxiously searching for ways to send troop reinforcements to Korea without upsetting the balance of existing defence dispositions or calling up conscripts—a measure likely to be unpopular and therefore impolitic just before the election.

There is only one outstanding place where the United States can obtain large numbers of ready-made troops for Korea—quickly, and without disturbing the American voters. It is in China. Kailash's Formosa, where there is an army of 800,000.

One other is Japan. In overcrowded Japan there are hundreds of thousands of ex-soldiers and ex-officers who with very little re-training could be turned into useful troops.

All ready
IN Taipei recently, while I was in Formosa, the Nationalist Foreign Minister, Mr. Yeh, assured me that everything was ready—ships, troops

and equipment—to rush 30,000 men to Korea. I know that the record of Chinese troops in fighting the Communists makes them appear of questionable value. But they have improved on the island.

They have received regular food and regular pay. I watched some of their units training. They seemed to have a new discipline and a new confidence.

I believe that with reasonably careful selection it should be possible for the Americans to solve at least part of their manpower problem here. And I believe that in the end they will have to turn to Nationalist China and occupied Japan whether they like it or not, and whether the rest of us like it or not—and we certainly do not.

For, as all who have seen the fighting in Korea report, it is not the superior weight and number of the enemy tanks or guns which has routed the American forces. It is overwhelming manpower.

Again and again the invaders have infiltrated into spaces left unmanoeuvred by the Americans. They have outflanked them, taken them in the rear and forced them to retreat, compelling them to abandon valuable equipment.

War against the Communists, whether in Korea or elsewhere, will be an infantry war, in which the West has to face the vast hordes of Mongolia, just as did the Roman Empire in its decline and fall.

'Suits us'

WHEN I was in Washington at the beginning of the Korean crisis a frequent refrain I heard was: "If Uncle Joe wants trouble it suits us that he should start it in the Pacific. It gives us time to raise our army to wartime level and rev up our industries."

One thing I am sure of is that the midnight sessions of that yellow house in the Kremlin will have one main preoccupation in these four weeks of decisions. They will want to do nothing that stirs America to such anger that an attack on the source of all her trouble is inevitable.

They will prefer to keep her dashing around the periphery as at present, fighting the Communists in Greece, then in Korea, perhaps in Indo-China or in Persia. Never, however, at the very heart and root of things.

—(London Express Service)

'Bombs Of Our Own Are The Answer'

By CHAPMAN PINCHER

BRITAIN'S top atom scientists are worried about the Government's newly published pamphlet on Civil Defence against Atomic Warfare. They condemned it recently as "a most dangerous document."

They back their criticism by saying:—

1 THE pamphlet's insistence that individuals could save their lives in an atomic attack by getting into deep shelters will give rise to the complacent belief that this would constitute a useful form of national defence.

2 THE recommendations made in the pamphlet are unrealistic because they are based entirely on the damage and casualties caused by the Mark I. American atom bombs dropped on Japan five years ago.

3 THE Home Office experts have largely ignored the psychological effects of the atom bomb.

The mathematical calculation that a Mark I. bomb does no more damage than a 2,000-ton high explosive bomb raid is misleading.

It is the awful suddenness of the catastrophe which gives the atom bomb its special power to break down a nation's resistance.

All the scientists with whom I spoke argue that, since we cannot stop the bomb exploding, we must ensure as far as possible that the bomb will never be launched against us.

They Believe...
MOST of these men believe that efforts to achieve agreement with Russia on the international control of atomic armaments should be continued.

Meanwhile they believe that the Western democracies should pile up such an overwhelming number of atomic bombs that

Russia will never dare to start an atomic war.

The United States, with hundreds of A-bombs in her arsenal, now dominates the Communist countries as far as existent stocks of atomic weapons are concerned.

And it seems certain that Russia cannot catch up for some years yet.

MEANWHILE BRITAIN HAS NO ATOMIC WEAPONS.

Five years ago the Government planned to manufacture and store atomic bombs here. Millions of pounds have been spent in building plant to produce pure plutonium—the most powerful atomic explosive—on a huge site near Sellafield, on the West Cumberland coast.

The gigantic furnaces for melting crude plutonium are almost complete. But from facts publicly disclosed by Government scientists it is clear that the plant for extracting and purifying the explosive cannot be ready for a long time yet.

Without that, no atomic bombs can be produced in Britain.

Why the delay?

THE delay in completing the Sellafield explosive station is due mainly to Government policy. Britain tentatively agreed to leave the manufacture of atomic bombs entirely to the Americans.

By this arrangement America would get Britain's share of imported atomic raw materials and would convert them immediately into atomic explosive.

In return, Britain would be assured of supplies of American-made atom bombs in the event of need.

Final agreement on this issue was postponed indefinitely when it was discovered that the Harwell atom scientist Dr Klaus Fuchs was a Russian spy.

But the Government seems to have stuck to its decision to lay work on atomic energy. A third furnace which was started for plutonium production at Sellafield has been abandoned, for example.

Yet there seems to be nothing firmer than a tacit understanding that America would come to our aid with atom bombs if we were attacked.

So the Government must restore its "bombs-of-our-own" policy without delay. That is the surest form of defence.

—(London Express Service)

IN THE USA

Listening With A Blanket

By Nowell Rogers

NEW YORK.
SPECTATORS sat with their shoulders, Red Indian style, in UNO's Security Council chamber.

They were not shivering from the cold war between Russia and the West. The air-conditioning system went bad. It sent icy blasts through the room.

SOCCER. TV may be adopted by the United States Soccer Association to popularise the game. Before I told them, not one of my American friends had heard of America's victory over Britain at Rio de Janeiro.

I doubt if one in a thousand Americans knows of it today.

HOARDERS. Hollywood is to make a picture on food hoarders to be called "The Hog."

THE GEN. "Jabberwocky" is returning to Washington. The White House. It is bad bureaucracy to say that old tanks and ships are being "repaired"—they must be "reactivated."

Men are not "called up." "Selected" are "inducted." Warplanes do not stop North Korean supply columns—they "interdict" them.

A YELLOW ENVELOPE, all too familiar in the old war days, arrived at the Brooklyn home of David Resnick. It told him that his son Saul had been wounded in Korea.

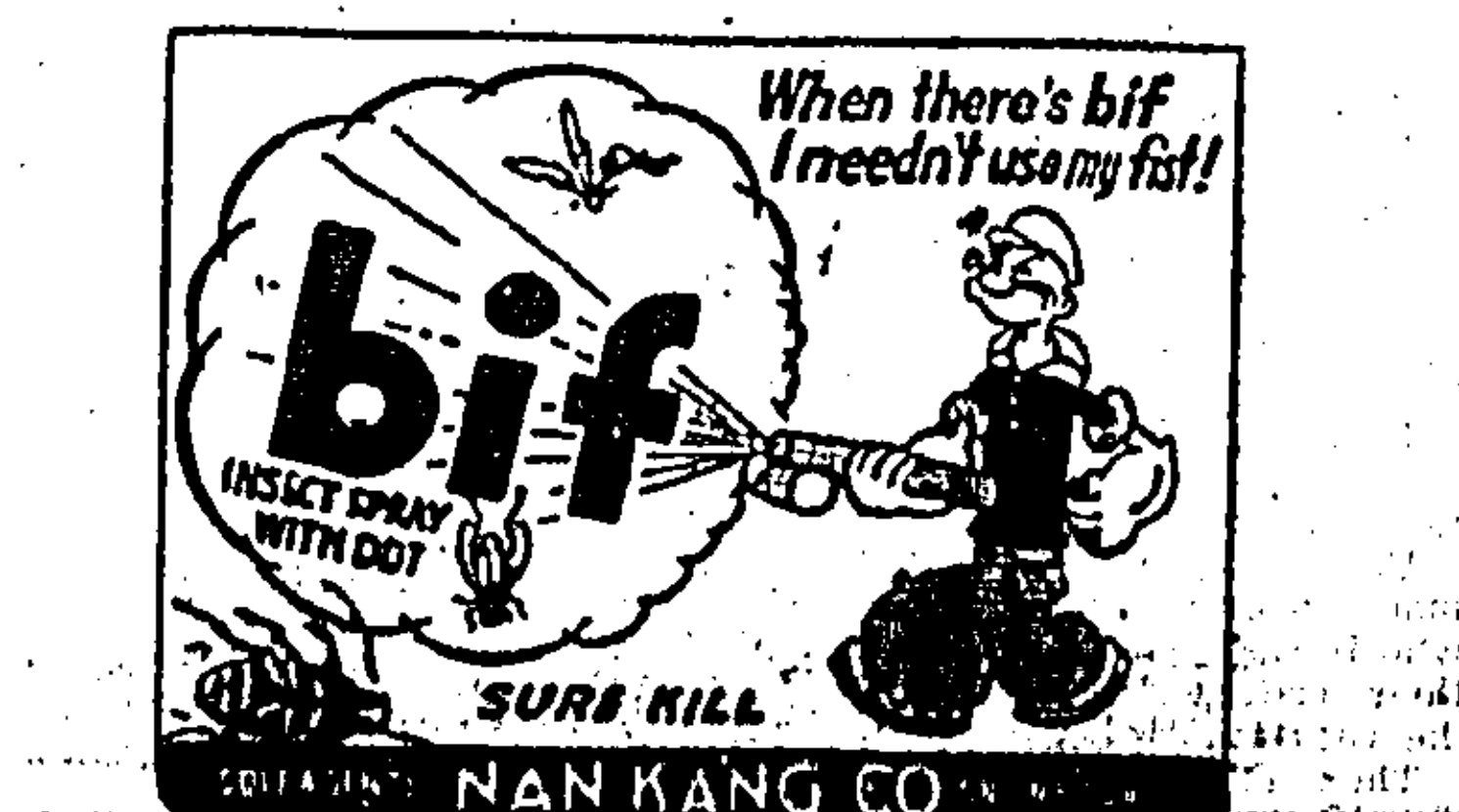
On impulse, Resnick put in a trunk call to his son in Japan. An hour later he heard his son's voice from a Tokyo hospital.

PATRIOTISM. Bartenders carefully explain to patriotic patrons that the vodka in "Moscow mule" (ginger beer, vodka, lime, and ice-cubes) is really made in Connecticut.

"OLD BILL." An Englishwoman's estimate for Americans of Englishmen in a book just out: "They see themselves as St George got up as Old Bill." The Englishwoman—authoress Elizabeth Bowen.

THE WAR CAME to Newark. The city across the Hudson from New York. Hot dogs went up from 15c to 10c, ham-burgers from 15c to 10c, and coffee from 4c to 6c a cup.

NANCY Facing the Facts



By Ernie Bushmiller

THE UNITED STATES CHALLENGE TO RUSSIA

Demands Genuine Peace Plan

Lake Success, Aug. 2.

After nearly three hours of wrangling over agenda procedure, the United States' representative on the Security Council, Mr. Warren Austin, tonight challenged the Soviet Union to bring forward any genuine proposal for peace in Korea.

Mr. Austin was attacking the Soviet Chairman of the Council, Mr. Jacob Malik, who insisted for the second day running that his agenda calling for Chinese Communist representation and a "peaceful settlement" in Korea should be considered before a United States condemnation of North Korean aggression.

Mr. Austin declared that so long as United Nations soldiers were dying in the battlefields of Korea the Council did not wish to cheapen their suffering or ally their heroism by seeking to engage in the consideration of deals, bribery or blackmail.

As soon as the meeting opened Mr. Malik asked to hear the French translation of the speech he made yesterday. Delegates sat back and relaxed while this was done.

The United States representative then asked a motion that the Council's main agenda item should be called "Complaint of Aggression Upon the Republic of Korea."

The Soviet item dealing with Korea was entitled "Peaceful Settlement of the Korean Question."

Mr. Malik tried to get his agenda accepted by declaring that the items should be submitted in the order in which they were presented.

(The Russian agenda contains two items only—Chinese representation and peaceful settlement of the Korean problem. The United States agenda item, submitted on the eve of the Council's meeting, called for condemnation of all nations giving aid and encouragement to the North Korean aggression.)

Sir Gladwyn Jebb (British) said that he could not agree that the question of the Chinese delegation and the Korean question were in any way related.

The issue of aggression was at this very moment being fought out in Korea and the Council must be concerned with the rejection of the aggressors to the 38th Parallel and the restoration of peace.

Sir Gladwyn said that the previous Security Council re-

solution was designed to stop the fighting. "I therefore consider that it would be right and proper for the Council to deal with this matter first."

SOVIET PROPAGANDA

"This is an example of the queer up-to-date language of Russian propaganda. If one side attacks its neighbour, it is not an act of war, but of peace. The very words 'peaceful settlement' in the mouth of the Russian delegate are enough to cause a certain anxiety. We remember the 'peaceful' settlements in Czechoslovakia in 1938 and 1940. These were peaceful in that on those occasions not a shot was fired, but Czechoslovakia died in the name of peace. This is not the kind of settlement 52 nations—those that have supported the United Nations—wants in Korea. It is the kind we are determined to resist."

Another example of Russia's "up-to-date thinking," Sir Gladwyn said, was Mr. Malik's assertion that the American rejection, condemning North Korea for defying the United Nations, was intended to extend the scope of war. He told Mr. Malik:

"If you will read it, sir, you will see it is specifically aimed at localizing the conflict. We are living in a nightmarish world. The whole objective of the United Nations, and, more particularly, of the Security Council, is to maintain peace—not only by mediation and conciliation, but also, as a last resort, by banding together to resist those who break the peace. The fact is, the North Korean authorities attacked the Republic of Korea and the situation must be restored. No one must be allowed to cloud this cardinal fact."

ECUADOR'S PLAN

Mr. Malik took the floor to point out that Sir Gladwyn had discussed the substance rather than its procedural aspect. He appealed to delegates to try to discuss the question of which items will be included in the agenda before launching speeches on the substance.

The second speaker, Senor Antonio Quivado (Ecuador), proposed that the question of Chinese representation be taken up by the United Nations General Assembly rather than by the Council. The matter was so important it called for the joint decision of small and big States represented in the world organization.

The Council adjourned without a vote.—Reuter and United Press.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"You never can wake your father up calling him that way—you'll simply have to learn how to get excited!"

Where Are You Goin' Mister?



Turkey Wants To Become Member Of Atlantic Pact

London, Aug. 2.

Turkey has informed the British Government of her desire to join the North Atlantic Pact, official sources said today.

Greece is also expected to seek admission to the Atlantic Pact, but no official word of her intention has so far reached London.

Turkey's admission to the Atlantic Pact will have to be decided by the Atlantic Council, when it convenes in New York in September. No formal application has so far been made by Turkey, these sources said, but exchanges have already taken place in Ankara with the ambassadors of the United States and the Western Powers on this step.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, is expected to discuss the question with the Turkish Foreign Minister, Fud Koprulu, at the coming Council of Europe meeting in Strasbourg this week.

The French and Italian Foreign Ministers will probably both be consulted in the course of the discussions at Strasbourg.

A Foreign Office spokesman today emphasized that Britain's attitude to the participation of Turkey in the Atlantic Pact was somewhat different from that of the other Governments, because the United Kingdom already has a treaty of mutual assistance with Turkey. "We shall have to consider this problem with the other member nations of the Atlantic Pact," the spokesman said. The treaty with Turkey guarantees British aid in case of an armed attack on Turkey. The other parties to the Atlantic Pact have no such agreements with Turkey.

It would therefore be for them to consider whether they wish

A little boy recently broke into the ranks of some British Commandos at Plymouth, England, with envy and admiration written clearly all over his face, to ask where they were heading. The troops were preparing to embark for the Malayan area to reinforce garrisons already there. (Acme).

BELGIAN CABINET CRISIS

(Continued from Page 1)

the Chamber of Deputies (Belgium's Lower House).

None of the explosions caused any casualties or serious damage.

Brussels, with its protest strike over, transport running normally and cafes and shops reopened, was still a city of rumours.

One, denied by the police, was that an attempt had been made to assassinate M. Paul-Henri Spaak, the Socialist leader and former Prime Minister.

Earlier today, M. Spaak, an internationally famous lawyer as well as a statesman, went to the war-scarred town of Nivelles, 20 miles from Brussels, to defend three trade union leaders charged with inciting public disorder.

Two Communist deputies, who were arrested as they organised an anti-Leopold meeting outside Brussels' Stock Exchange last night, were released this morning.

One of them, M. Lallemand, Secretary-General of the Belgian Communist Party, recently spent several weeks in Moscow.

While more than half a million workers throughout the country flocked back to duty, a train left Brussels for Paris—the first international express to leave the country since the crisis.

British tourists, held up at Ostend by protest strikes, streamed into the capital after many of them had spent the last two nights in schools as guests of the east resort Town Council.

Catholic Senators and Deputies have called on the Government to stand fast and not to resign, a Party spokesman said tonight.

There were two reasons for the Premier's visit to King Leopold today. It was learned from a high Catholic Party source.

One was to talk over the draft of the Parliamentary Bill under which Leopold will hand over powers on his son.

The other was to discuss the publication or otherwise of a letter sent yesterday by Leopold to the Prime Minister, in which he made it clear he felt he had been abandoned by all his Cabinet except one Minister.—Reuter.

Gold Mining Co. Robbed

Ontario, Aug. 2.

Two hooded bandits early today escaped with three gold bricks, valued at approximately \$200,000, from the Connaught Gold Mines Ltd. near here.

AUSTRALIANS TO BUILD ANTI-SUBMARINE VESSELS

North Korean
Aggression
Shocks World

Powerful Fortress On Eastern Coast

Canberra, Aug. 2.

Australia announced emergency plans tonight to construct a fleet of anti-submarine vessels after authoritative sources disclosed that foreign submarines had been operating off the Australian coast.

The Navy Minister, Mr. Joseph Francis, announced that Australia would construct six 2,000-ton anti-submarine frigates, at a cost of \$12,000,000, to strengthen the nation's submarine defences.

Authoritative sources disclosed at the same time that the Government was converting an east coast naval base into a powerful fortress equipped with homproof submarines. Hundreds of experts were recruited, some from Britain, as the Government rushed construction plans. Some of the foreign submarines spotted in Australian waters were believed to have been identified, but the nationality of the power concerned is a strict secret.

Sources said fishermen first detected the submarines, believed to be among the world's largest, fastest and most modern. The undersea craft were believed to have been on long distance cruises in the Pacific to test latest constructional techniques.

The Navy Minister, in announcing the frigate programme, said development of large submarines with high underwater speed and capable of long submergence made it necessary to modernise the Royal Australian Navy's anti-submarine force.

"Such submarines in the possession of the enemy in time of war would present a grave threat to our merchant shipping."

Construction of the frigates will interrupt the programme to add new destroyers to the Australian Fleet. The acting Minister, Mr. A. W. Fadden, said Australia infantry force in Japan would be built up immediately to full war strength.

Empire Consultation Methods

Sydney, Aug. 2.

The Sydney Morning Herald said today that Australians hoped that Mr. Patrick Gordon-Walker, British Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, would appreciate the need for an overall improvement of methods of consultation between Commonwealth nations and "convert his Government in the same direction."

Mr. Gordon-Walker is at present visiting Australia during his Commonwealth tour for talks with Dominion leaders.

The Herald added that his conversations with leaders of all Australian parties should convince him that "the demand is not for the imposition of a rigid Commonwealth policy but that inadequate, out-of-date consultative machinery should be given a thorough overhaul in the light of changed imperial relations."—Reuter.

Bertha Gets Married At 13

Singapore, Aug. 2.

Bertha Hertogh, the young Dutch girl whom the Singapore Appeal Court decided should stay with her Malay foster mother, was married secretly last night to 21-year-old Muzer Abidin, a Malay school-teacher.

A usually reliable source said that Bertha was introduced to her husband only 24 hours before the ceremony, and told that the marriage would make certain that the Court's decision would not be reversed by an appeal by her parents in Holland.

Thirteen is the marriage age for many Malay girls. That is Bertha's age.

Bertha and her husband were today staying with a Malay family in Singapore.—Reuter.

Fontainebleau Exercise

Brussels, Aug. 2.

Senior military officers of the five Western European countries are attending staff exercise at Fontainebleau, near Paris, from August 1 to 4, directed by General de Latre de Tassigny, the Commander-in-Chief, Land Forces, Western Europe.

Officers of the Army, Navy and Air Force of Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg are participating in the exercise, one of a series of periodic meetings held to study problems of Western European defence.—Reuter.

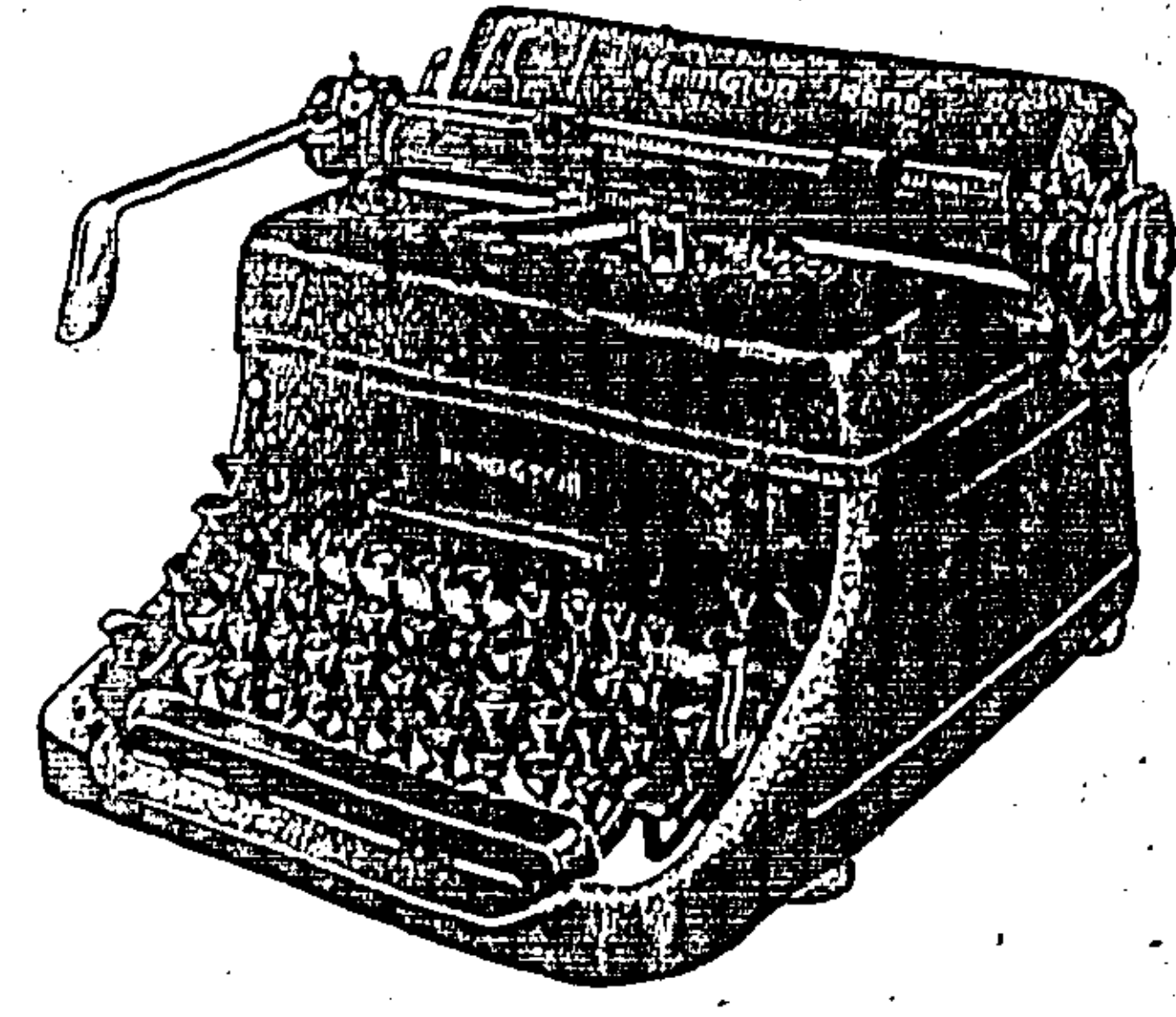
Rail Strike Threatened

Montreal, Aug. 2.

A group of 15 international unions with a membership of 80,000 today set August 22 as the date for a strike unless their wage-hour demands on the Canadian railways were met. The announcement was made following a series of meetings.—Reuter.

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STOPPING THE RUT



Douglas Insole, who has now been invited for the MCC tour of Australia, puts a ball past Weekes in the slips during his innings in the Third Test Match against the West Indies at Trent Bridge.

Insole came in when four wickets had gone for 25 runs and took part in a valuable stand with Yardley, the England captain.—Central Press Photo.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

The following are the team selections of the different Clubs for this Saturday's Lawn Bowls League Matches.

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SURREY AND WEST INDIES BOTH STRUGGLE FOR RUNS AT THE OVAL

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On a rain-affected pitch, which made the ball fly and keep low in an unexpected manner, both Surrey and the West Indies touring team had to struggle for runs during the first day of their return match, which began at the Oval today.

During a day in which there were a number of interruptions because of rain, Surrey were dismissed for 161 runs in their first innings and in reply the West Indies had scored 72 runs for three wickets at the close of play.

Surrey, who won the toss, could have foreseen that rain would affect the pitch. They lost Laurie Fishlock, caught at slip from a catch diverted by the wicketkeeper, before the weather stopped play the first time, but Eric Bedser and Peter May played with such confidence that a good Surrey score looked probable.

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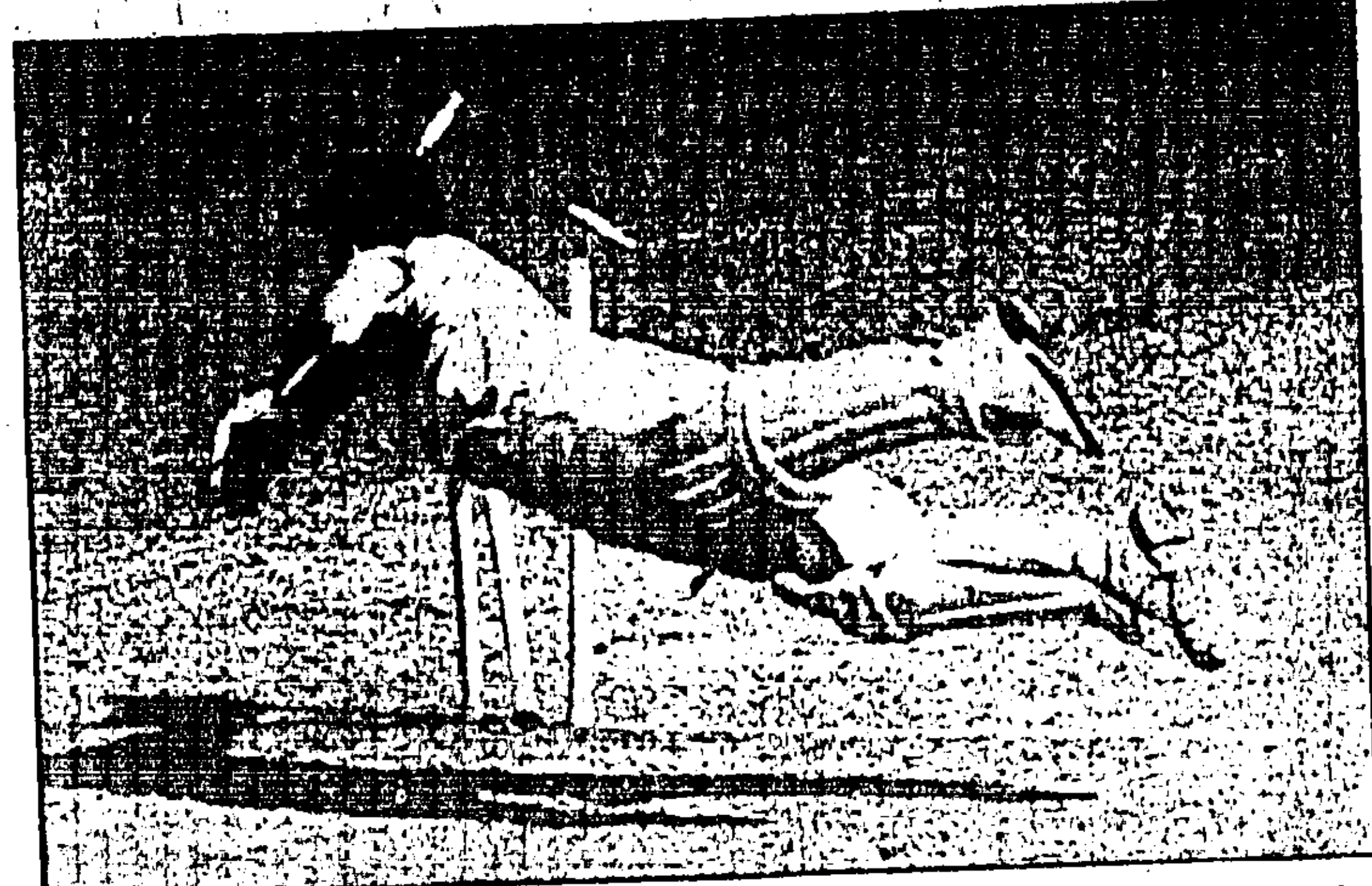
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WITH A GIANT SCOREBOARD

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Trent Bridge, Nottingham, is showing enterprise which I should like to see at Lord's and the Oval in the shape of a full-sized scoring board as big and detailed as every big ground in Australia possesses.

It is not all working yet because some electric equipment is not installed, but the outer structure towers impressively over the ground, dwarfing the present board. The essential difference between the old and the new is that the new board mentions every batsman and every player by name, so that there will no longer be any need to refer constantly to a scorecard.

It is an excellent idea for making the game easy to follow for the men and women who do not often go to watch cricket.

AMES'S AMBITION

Leslie Ames has an ambition with which we must sympathize—that of completing his 100 centuries, towards which he now has 98.

Illness and Test match duties as a selector have deprived him of many matches this season, but he is still hoping. A good opportunity would have been the game against Leicester, not one of our stronger bowling sides, at Folkestone, but Ames was watching the Test match at Nottingham. Even so there is plenty of time for him to achieve these other two centuries.

FREDDIE DOVE TEACHES

Like so many other past champions, Freddie Dove, holder of the British 100 yards swimming championship in 1936-7-8, is now teaching.

He is secretary and coach at the Royal Tankard Wells and Mosses, SC. One of his best prospects there is 16-year-old Graham Bourne, who won the Kent men's 880 yards free style championship.

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U.N. Charter Violated, Says Acheson

Washington, Aug. 2.

The United States Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, today accused the Soviet Union of violating the United Nations Charter in seeking to hold up United Nations action in the Korean war.

TO BUILD H-BOMB PLANTS

Washington, Aug. 2.

The Atomic Energy Commission disclosed today that it has contracted with E. I. DuPont de Nemours and Co. to build plants for the production of hydrogen bomb explosives.

President Truman last month asked Congress for \$200,000,000, with which to develop the hydrogen super-bomb.

The AEC said that DuPont will design, build and operate the new production facilities "at a site yet to be determined." In picking the site, the Commission said, it will take into account military considerations, including "vulnerability to attack."

As the AEC was making its announcement, Congressional sources hinted that the President may soon ask for more money to push the completion of the H-bomb and expand the production of atomic bombs.

Democratic Senator Brien McMahon said after a secret conference with defense chiefs that the United States should expand its H-bomb and A-bomb programme "substantially."

"There is no question in my mind but that our atomic stockpile is the chief deterrent to expanded Soviet aggression," Senator McMahon said.—United Press.

SENTENCES TERMED "SAVAGE"

Paris, Aug. 2.

Sardar H. S. Malik, the Indian Ambassador to France, said today that the Indian Government would not accept a referendum on the future of the French settlements in India unless the French Government gave a satisfactory reply to a month-old protest submitted by his Government to the French Foreign Office.

Sardar Malik said he deplored this "forceful protest" against harsh sentences passed on certain people in the French settlement of Mahe, on the southwest coast of India, to M. Alexandre Parodi, the Secretary General of the French Foreign Office.

"We made it very clear to the French that there could be no referendum unless all people concerned for political offences were amnestied before the referendum took place," said Sardar Malik.

"They must be able to take an active part in canvassing for the referendum. There is not much point talking about an amnesty if, at the same time, you impose savage sentences," he said.

French sources maintained again today that the French Government could not interfere with sentences passed by a French Court. "It is impossible to link a legal question to a political question," said one official.—Reuter.

Syria Bans Book

Beirut, Aug. 2.

The military censor has seized the Arabic translation of the autobiography of the President of Israel, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, entitled "Trials and Errors."

The seizure was made on the grounds that the book was incompatible with Arab interests.—Reuter.

Rita At Capri



In a polka-dotted dress, Rita Hayworth is pictured aboard the yacht Zaca on arrival in Capri with her husband, Prince Aly Khan. They leased the yacht from the actor Errol Flynn.—(London Express Service).

Westerling Seeks To Stop Action For Extradition

Singapore, Aug. 2.

An application for the halting of extradition proceedings against him by the Indonesian Government was brought by Captain Raymond "Turco" Westerling before the Singapore Supreme Court today.

Westerling was the leader of the "Army of the Heavenly Host" which captured the Indonesian city of Bandung in January this year.

His counsel, Mr. P.H.N. Magesa, maintained that a treaty between Britain and Holland could not apply to the newly-created Indonesian independent state. Even if it did it could only concern the extradition of Indonesian subjects—and Westerling was not such a subject.

Representing the Government of Singapore, Mr. C. H. Butterfield, the Acting Attorney-General, told the court that the British Foreign Office regarded Westerling as applying to the United States of America.

The case was adjourned until tomorrow after submissions. Westerling was originally sentenced to 40 days' imprisonment for illegally entering Singapore, and later to six weeks for assaulting an Indonesian constable.

Aged 34, he was born in Istanbul of mixed Dutch-Turkish-Greek parentage.

His counsel, addressing the Supreme Court today, complained that the Attorney-General had declined to disclose to him the form and date of British recognition of Indonesia as a sovereign state.

Replying, the Acting Attorney-General said that the question of treaty application was exclusively one for the Executive—in this case the British Foreign Office—on whose decision the court must be guided.

"It is not the business of the court to inquire whether the Foreign Office has the right to decide that a treaty exists," he said.

"I submit that it is most undesirable that there should be conflict between the Executive and the courts on matters of such political importance."

Westerling has been held in Chindit Gaoi on Singapore Island since his sensational escape from Indonesia by sea-plane last February. The Indonesian Government wants to charge him with murder and war crimes.—Reuter.

"The People's Army is fighting in support of the full and sincere support of their fellow countrymen, and the sympathy and backing of all progressive mankind. All this inspires our fighters and all our people to deeds of heroism. At the same time, it is worth mentioning that we are not badly armed and equipped."

The General's words were quoted by Peking Radio tonight in its broadcast of a Pongyong message saying that he had answered several questions on the current war situation in Korea put to him by Marius Magnien, correspondent of the French newspaper, L'Humanite.

General Kim was quoted as saying that the American Army in Korea was fighting an "aggressive" and an "unjust" war.

He said that "American aggression" was prolonging this war.

"We do not consider victory to be easy. But the Korean people are filled with determination to drive the American aggressors out of Korea and to carry on the struggle until complete victory is achieved," he added.

Earlier, he alleged that "documents captured by the People's Army in Seoul prove that the war started by Syngman Rhee's troops had long been prepared under the direction of the U.S. Military Advisory Group in Seoul."—Reuter.

Russia Using U.N. As Propaganda Platform

New York, Aug. 2.

It now seems clear that one reason—and perhaps the main reason—why Russia returned to the United Nations was to get a world-wide propaganda campaign under way.

The United Nations provides a platform for men like the Soviet delegate, Jacob Malik, who want to tell the Communist line to the world. His words go around the globe as soon as he utters them.

Mr. Malik made three speeches on Tuesday. And when he was defeated in the voting, he did not use the veto or walk out, as Russian delegates have done in the past. He stayed there and kept on talking.

One of his speeches indicated the line that Russian propaganda will now take. It will be an attack on that old familiar figure, the American millionaire.

Mr. Malik said on Tuesday that "a small clique of American millionaires" was responsible for the Chinese Communists being denied a seat in the United Nations.

The American millionaire is the villain in all Soviet propaganda. He combines the worst features of Simon Legree and the Big Bad Wolf of the "Three Little Pigs." His life, outside of sleeping and eating, is devoted to two projects: counting his money and ordering the President of the United States to start wars of aggression.

There are no American millionaires in the Chicago grain pit, the Texas oil fields, the Detroit automobile factories, or the Pittsburgh steel mills. They all live in Wall Street.

When he appears in Soviet cartoons, the American millionaire is always fat and wears a big gold watch chain across his vest.

It was the American millionaire who sent the orders to President Truman to have the South Koreans attack the North Koreans. Naturally, the North Koreans defended themselves and that was what caused all the present trouble.

That trouble can be solved by stopping the American millionaire of his power. The first step should be to evict the Chinese Nationalists from the United Nations, and give the seat to the Chinese Communists.

The next step presumably would be to give all Korea to the Korean Communists. That will be the line that Moscow Radio and the Russian newspapers will follow.

German representatives will appear for the first time since the war at a full-scale international gathering.

The West German Federal Republic and the Saar, the French-sponsored pocket state, have both joined the Council as association members, which means that they have full voting rights in the Assembly, or the Lower House, but take no part in the discussions of the Committee of Ministers, or the Upper House of the Council.

Altogether 125 representatives from 15 nations, with a total population of about 300 million, will meet on Monday in the new Headquarters—the "House of Europe"—built in the last five months, within walking distance of the Rhine.

Before beginning its month-long debates, the Assembly will hear a message from the Ministers which they will discuss when they meet tomorrow.

The measure will be a political statement explaining the Ministers' views on the activities of the Consultative Assembly and its Committee since the Council was inaugurated last August.

The Elbe Foreign Minister, Mr. Sean McDermott, will preside at the meeting of the Committee of Ministers, which are expected to last until Saturday.

When the Ministers meet tomorrow, the Schuman Plan for pooling European coal and steel output is likely to be the main subject of discussion, as it will also be in the Assembly itself.

M. Schuman, it was learnt tonight, has expressed a wish to go himself before the Assembly to explain his plan.—Reuter.

Death Of Aged Cardinal

Rome, Aug. 2.

Cardinal Luigi Lavranco died today in Rome at the age of 70. The Cardinal had been ill for some days.

His death leaves 17 vacancies in the Sacred College of Cardinals.

Pope Pius XII is expected to fill these vacancies, bringing the College up to its full-strength of 70, at a Consistory late this year.

Cardinal Lavranco had resigned the Archbishopric of Palermo for years because of ill-health. The Cardinal was Prefect of the Sacred Congregation of Religions, which deals with all matters touching monasteries and convents.—Reuter.

Intelligence Test Solution:

This didn't take Habbitt very long. The key to the puzzle is to be read as C O M—T E D; which means T E D for C O M. So he re-wrote the message, interchanging these letters.

THE FOLLOWING RESULT:
Message: O M W A R M S M A C
Decoded: W I C H O M I
Decoded: E W I T H E D I T H

Message: C E H O M O L O C
Decoded: T O H E D E L E T E
Hence the decode is:
"Edward's date with Edith to be selected, Dodo."

London Express Service.

Princess Hoping For Daughter

London, Aug. 2.

The home of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh was being prepared today for the birth, expected next week, of their second child—whom both parents hope will be a girl.

Princess Elizabeth was reported to be so confident she was thinking only of girls names. Ann was said to be the favourite. The child probably will be born in the Princess's suite at Clarence House.—United Press.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE
Answers
1. The Danube. 2. Balks. 3. Oxford and Cambridge. 4. Australia. 5. "Don Quixote" by Cervantes. 6. North and South Frigid, North and South Temperate and Torrid.

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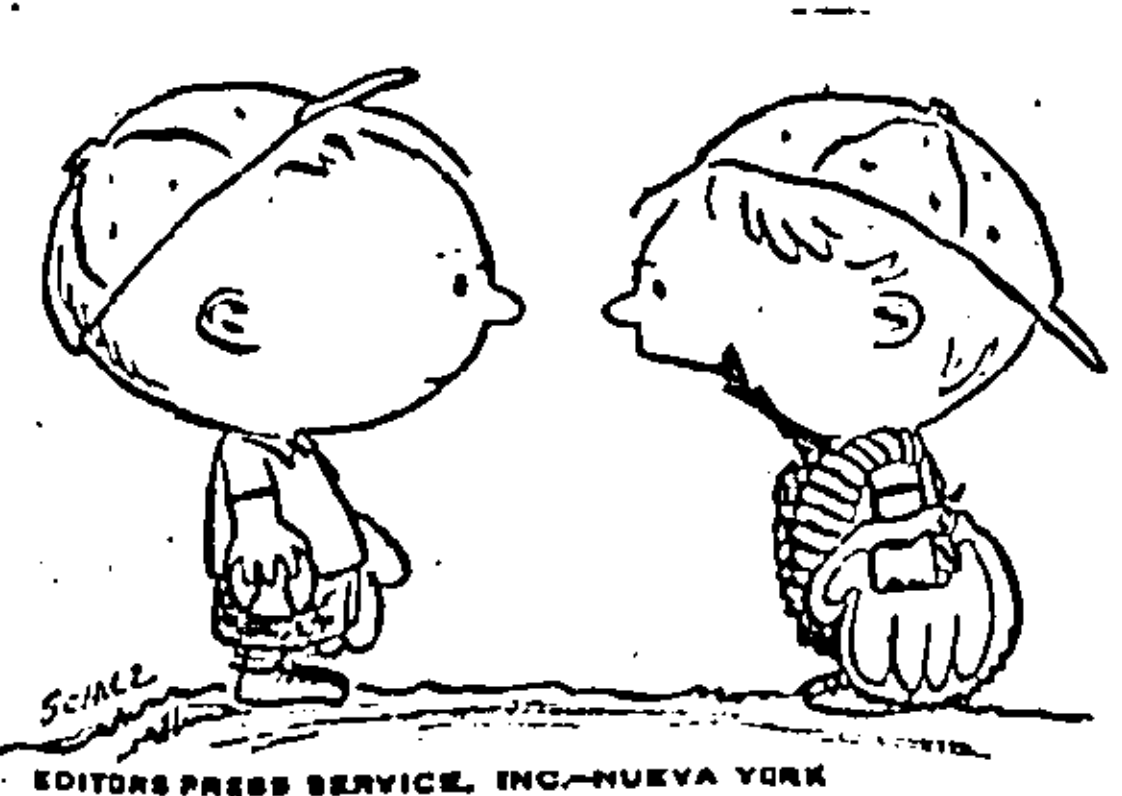
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